

Attorney Docket No. 53394.000776

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FORM FOR FILING CONTINUING APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Attorney Docket Number: 53394.000776

Prior Application: 09/685,610, filed October 11, 2000

Anticipated Classification Of This Application:  
Class SubclassExaminer: Karin M. REICHLE  
Art Unit: 3761MAIL STOP: Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1460

Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of prior Application Serial No 09/685,610 filed October 11, 2000 and 09/159,682 filed October 15, 1999, entitled METHOD FOR ATTACHING MECHANICAL FASTENERS TO ABSORBENT ARTICLES AND THE RESULTING ABSORBENT ARTICLES by the following named inventor Besty JOHNSON.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior complete application as originally filed, including the oath or declaration and a new abstract. No amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
2. ☒ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-10 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one original independent claim is retained to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
4. ☒ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as mentioned at 1, 2 and 3 above.

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS	10	0	x \$18.00 =	\$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2	0	x \$88.00 =	\$
BASIC FEE				\$770.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$
REDUCTION BY 1/2 FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). IF APPLICABLE, VERIFIED STATEMENT MUST BE ATTACHED.				\$
TOTAL =				\$770.00

5. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.
6. ☐ Please charge \$ to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 (attached is a copy of authorization to charge Applicant's Deposit Account).
7. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting the first sentence: This is a continuation of Application No. 09/685,610 filed October 11, 2000 which in turn is a continuation of Application No. 09/159,682, filed October 15, 1999.

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